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for the cultivator to own and keep both the sprayer and a little bit of this dust as a precaution against the appearance of this pest."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Are the Government aware of the fact that in most cases, or may I say, in almost all cases, the agricultural preventive officer appears on the stage only to kill the worms after the worms have killed the crops entirely? " (Laughter.)

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Sir, we have lakhs and lakhs of acres under groundnut in this State; in some districts there are lakhs of acres under this crop, and so it would not be reasonable on our part to expect either the demonstrator or the District Agricultural Officer to notice where the bug is coming in, in any one of the fields. I submit it is the duty of the cultivator, who has after all only a small acreage under this crop, to take care of his crop."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Even when the injury done by the worm is brought to the notice of the agricultural demonstrators at once, are the Government aware that the movement of these officers is unequal to the movement of the worm? " (Laughter.)

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" Sir, the caterpillar moves very slowly."

Receipts under sales tax and commercial tax from Pudukkottai Division.

* 170 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Rural Welfare be pleased to state the amount of receipts under sales tax and commercial tax from Pudukkottai division of Tiruchirappalli district each year since Pudukkottai's merger in Madras State?

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" The information required by the hon. Member is given in the statement [a], copies of which have been laid on the table of the House."

Representations from the ryots of the enclaved villages of Partala.

* 171 *Q.*—SRI V. RAMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representations from the ryots of the enclaved villages of Partala of Agir (Krishna district) that the arrears of land rent for the fasli 1358 be postponed; and

(*b*) if so, what action was taken?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) No.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 895 supra.